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The news feed on http://amsat.org publishes news of Amateur Radio in space as soon as our volunteers can post it.

Please send any amateur satellite news or reports to ans-editor at amsat dot org.

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AMSAT Bylaws Amendment

The AMSAT Board of Directors approved an amendment to our Bylaws on March 2, 2021. As required by our Bylaws, a notice of the amendment was mailed to all members. AMSAT members may also view the documents by logging on to the Member Portal. Along with a copy of the Bylaws Committee Report to our Board of Directors, members will find a "red-line" version of the changes that will allow you to see exactly what has been added and what has been removed.

To view each document, please click the following links:

"Red-Line" version of our Bylaws, as approved by the AMSAT Board of Directors during a Special Meeting, held on March 2, 2021.
https://launch.amsat.org/resources/Documents/Bylaws_Amended_Draft_Redline.pdf
Report of the AMSAT Bylaws Committee: Recommended Revisions to the Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation Bylaws
https://launch.amsat.org/resources/Documents/Report%20of%20the%20Bylaws%20Committee.pdf

In accordance with Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation Bylaws, as amended in 1989, Article IV requires AMSAT to provide written notice to all members of the approved amendments to our Bylaws. This approved

amendment will be effective thirty days from the mailing of this letter, unless written objection is received from at least ten percent of the Members, in which case a vote shall be conducted by the Secretary in the manner specified for election of Directors.

Written notice was mailed on April 9, 2021. As such, any objection should be sent to AMSAT, PO Box 27, Washington, DC 20044-0027 and must be received by May 9, 2021. I apologize for requiring you to mail in your objections, but this is a requirement of our Bylaws (as amended in 1989) and exactly why we feel it is necessary to bring our Bylaws into the 21st Century.

As part of our modernization efforts, we felt a review and update of our Bylaws was essential to ensure AMSAT's continued success. A summary of those changes is listed below.

* The Bylaws have been amended to allow for electronic communications with our members, voting in our elections, and the conduct of meetings.
* The Bylaws have been amended to clarify the member application process, the grace period for lapses in membership, and the membership inclusion date for establishing election roles.
* The Bylaws have been amended to further define the duties and responsibilities of the Officers.
* The Bylaws have been amended to require three years of continuous membership for nominees for the position of Director and that Directors be required to remain in good standing throughout their elected term.

[ANS thanks Robert Bankston, KE4AL, AMSAT President, for the above information]

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for me where I made thousands of contacts across the world. That really became part of my connection back to the planet." Referring to deep space missions, he said, "I can't imagine doing a long-duration mission without that connection to the planet. It's a huge psychological hurdle that we're going to have to figure out." The article is at tinyurl.com/ANS-115-Smithsonian.

A post about the story was added to the ISS Ham Twitter page and to ARISS Facebook and Twitter pages.

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73,
This week's ANS Editor,
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